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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 14TH, 1909.

When the Admiralty entered upon the costly work of extending the Hongkong dockyard—a work which cost the nation a sum of £1,563,400—it was doubtless believed that in all probability in the coming years a much larger squadron would need to be retained in these waters than had hitherto been the case. But the rise of Japan as a great world power and her alliance with Great Britain has altered world-strategy. British battleships were wholly withdrawn from Eastern waters, and while the new Pacific Fleet about to be created may serve, as some writer suggested at the time of the announcement, as a kind of naval re-education of the late policy, we in the East see in the scheme a probable further reduction of the units in the China Sea, and consequently less work for the new Admiralty dock. Moreover, there is a noticeable tendency in discussions regarding schemes for a Pacific Fleet to discount the value of Hongkong as a naval base, or rather to regard the Singapore position as the key of our modern strategic problems. We remember that when the *Times* a few months ago outlined an interesting scheme for an Imperial cruiser squadron, a high value was set upon the Singapore position. Now, we notice, a member of the Indian Staff Corps in an address before the Central Asian Society in London has outlined a scheme whereby India could maintain a Fleet in the Pacific provided and owned by the self-governing parts of the Empire. The paper was on "India in Imperial Defence," and the author, Captain

MACAULAY, suggested that India's best contribution to Imperial Defence would be a contribution to the British Navy, but he regarded it as neither practical nor expedient that India should start building and maintaining a fleet of her own. His suggestion was, that the self-governing parts of the Empire should consider the construction of four Dreadnoughts to be handed over to the Indian Fleet. India's contribution he estimated at 2 to 2½ millions a year, which represents an insurance of only 1 per cent. on her ocean-borne trade. Captain MACAULAY suggested that India should take over the defence of Colombo and Singapore, the forces at these places being included in the Indian defence system. He further suggested that India should take over the maintenance of the Indian and China Fleet units, and that these two squadrons should be incorporated in one fleet with headquarters at Singapore. The idea of the possible use of Singapore as a great naval centre naturally receives encouragement in the local Press. Hongkong, we are told, is not in the right geographical position. "It is too far from Colombo," says the *Straits Times*, "and too near one of the possible danger zones. In the event of grave international unrest, when doubts might exist as to the ultimate grouping of forces, it would be almost impossible to quarter a great battle fleet there, but in Singapore, at any part of the year, the biggest fleet in the world might rest snugly, and be in readiness to sail at a moment's notice to any point where its service might be required." Our contemporary goes on to say:—"Broadly speaking, we stand equidistant from our possessions in the Far East and the Middle East, and we are no vast distance from Australia. We have open sea between us and Canada and the same between us and South Africa. A big fleet based at Singapore could not be bottled up if it had even twelve hours' warning. It would be in the best position for dealing with a Japanese attempt either on India or Australia, and it could intervene effectively if the dispute happened to concern the Philippines. In the present position of politics, we have to consider, also, the possibility of Holland being absorbed by Germany, and the Dutch East Indies passing under the control of Berlin. It would be ridiculous, no doubt, to describe that as a fixed object of German policy, just as it would be ridiculous to say that Japan intends to attack Australia, or to fight America for possession of the Philippines. What we have to deal with are not fixed intentions, but possibilities, and it is not difficult to conceive of circumstances arising which would cause the German Government to look very seriously at a proposal already boldly advocated by the well-known Herr HARBEN for a German Empire of the Middle East." But this list does not exhaust the "possibilities" in this part of the world. All the considerations advanced doubtless point to the value of Singapore as a naval base, but it will be a long time yet, we fancy, before the headquarters of the China Squadron are removed to Singapore.

The English Mail of the 15th November was delivered in London on the 11th inst.

Major-General Broadwood gave an enjoyable dance at Headquarters House last night.

A Russian woman named Eliza Kruse was at the Magistrate yesterday fined \$25 for importing.

H.M.S. *Alacrity* with Admiral Sir Hedworth Lambton on board returned to the Colony from the North yesterday.

The return of cases of communicable diseases notified as occurring in the Colony is a blank for the week ended the 11th inst.

Mr. E. C. Wilton, H. B. M. Acting Consul-General at Yunnan, has left to take up his new post in Shanghai. Mr. P. E. O'Brien-Butler has taken his place.

A Chinese painter employed in decorating the officers' cabins on the *Empress of China* was at the Magistrate yesterday found guilty of having forced open a drawer in the cabin of Mr. Douglas, extra second officer, and stolen therefrom \$5.50. He was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

Three men were charged at the Magistrate yesterday with stealing a bell from the South China Academy at West Point. One was sentenced to three months' imprisonment and also to twelve months for having returned from banishment, the second was sentenced to six months for having returned from banishment, and the third was discharged.

Captain Haakon Melsom, of the Norwegian steamship *Solead*, was married to Miss Johanne Bergen, of Tonsberg, Norway, at the First Presbyterian Church, Manila, last week. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. S. B. Rositer. Miss Phoebe Ellison was bridesmaid and Mr. J. L. Stewart acted as "best man."

The Provincial Government of Yunnan is burning all the opium it confiscates. A recent report mentions the burning of 20,000 ounces on one day.

Mr. George Grimble will give an organ recital in St. Peter's Church this afternoon at 5.30. He will be assisted by Mrs. R. E. Bellios and Mr. R. E. White. The programme includes several selections from "The Messiah."

The Bishop of Victoria and Bishop Ingham, accompanied by the Revs. E. J. Barnett, P. Jenkins and Mok-Shan-Tsang, and several Chinese laymen, have gone on a tour of inspection of the Church of England Missions in the Tsan-Tung district on the East River. They will dedicate three new Chinese churches presented by the Chinese, and attend the Native Church Council to be held this week at Pit-Tam.

It is a picturesque detail as showing the way of the world, especially in official circles of intrigue in the capital, the *China Times* says, that the ex-Viceroy Tuan Fang of Chihli, when he arrived in Peking recently had no one to greet or receive him except his own brother, Tuan Su. Otherwise he passed from the station to his new residence in the capital unnoticed and unattended.

The funeral of Gunner Woods, 88 Coy. R.G.A., who died at the Military hospital, Bowen Road, on Sunday night, took place yesterday afternoon. The cortege consisted of the officers, N.C.O.'s and men of 88 Coy. and the bands of the Buffs. The interment took place in the Military portion of the cemetery at Happy Valley, accompanied by full military honours.

An interesting case was continued at the Magistrate yesterday when the hearing was resumed before Mr. J. R. Wood of the charges against Li Fuk alias Li Kai Mi of forging a deed of mortgage for \$10,000, which purported to be made by one Li Fuk, the registered owner of section B, of Marine Lot 163 Hongkong. Mr. Dennis prosecuted, and Mr. Looker, of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon, appeared for the defence. Evidence was called and the case adjourned.

The *Japan Mail* observes that nearly all the Japanese newspapers of Tokyo allege that Dr. Morrison has ceased to be the *Times*' correspondent in Peking, and that his place is to be taken by Mr. J. O. P. Bland. Our contemporary adds:—"We believe this statement to be misleading. It is true that Mr. Bland—whose brilliant contributions to the correspondence columns of *The Times* used to be a feature of the great journal when he wrote from Shanghai—as to replace Dr. Morrison at Peking in the immediate future, but the change is only temporary. Its purpose is to give Dr. Morrison an opportunity of travelling through China and Manchuria."

"Better fifty years of Europe than a cycle of Cathay" is a poetic sentiment that evidently does not appeal to Sir Robert Hart, remarks a London paper. Once more he hears the "East is calling," and calling loudly through a London fog. "In Peking the sun is always shining and the sky is always clear and blue," Sir Robert said. "In all my life I never saw such a day there as this." He looked at the murky fog in Cadogan place and sighed. "I have friends in London who like this weather," he added. "To a Londoner it may be pleasant. It only makes me long to be back again. I have lived too long in China to feel at home in a London fog."

Important seizures of counterfeit coin were made by the police during the week-end. At one house, 40, First Street, Detective Sergeant Appleton seized 276 Chinese twenty-cent pieces, 108 Chinese ten-cent pieces, 44 Hongkong ten-cent pieces, and 32 Hongkong five-cent pieces, and arrested three men. Chief Detective Inspector Hanson at 1 Ng Fuk Hong seized 367 Indo-China piastres and 321 Hongkong dollars. All the coins were beautifully made, sounded well when rung, but weighed lighter than the coins they counterfeited. The police have been working with a view to this seizure for three or four months, and they have spent about \$200 in making purchases to trace the sources from which the spurious coins were issued.

M.A.P. has a very amusing story illustrating the difficulties of the Oriental in acquiring a thorough knowledge of the English language. It was not so very long ago, says the writer, that a Japanese Minister, who shall be nameless, made a visit of ceremony upon Lady Lansdowne. He was a charming fellow, and conversed on many subjects of interest with his hostess. In bidding her adieu, bending low over her hand, he murmured, "Forgive me, madame, if I have cockroached on your time to-day!" Lady Lansdowne laughingly told her husband the story, adding: "He is such a nice little man, you know! I think it would be right to tell him of my mistake. I shall explain to him that cockroached, not cockroached, is the correct expression in English." To make a long story short, the little Minister and Lady Lansdowne soon met again. It was at the Foreign Office, and Lady Lansdowne drew her new friend apart. "I want to make a little explanation," she said. "You talk English all but perfectly. Indeed, I have only heard you make one mistake. Now, instead of saying to me, 'I am sorry to have cockroached on your time,' you should say, 'I am sorry to have encockroached on your time.' That is the word, encockroached! You understand?" The Jap was silent for a moment. Then the cloud lifted from his face. A flashlight might have passed over it. "I see! I see!" he cried. "I may say, then, when addressing Lord Lansdowne, 'I am sorry to have encockroached on your time,' but it is to you, madame, I must say, 'I am sorry to have cockroached on your time.'"

The return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 12th December, 1909, shows that of non-Chinese there were 476 to the Library and 339 to the Museum, and of Chinese 266 to the former and 3111 to the latter. The Library was, therefore, used by 642 persons and the Museum by 3,450.

Mr. J. C. E. Douglas, solicitor, of Shanghai, has been to Dairen in connection with the trial of the alleged murderer of Prince Ito. The man's friends approached a Russian barrister of Vladivostok, who asked Mr. Douglas to undertake the case. Mr. Douglas visited Port Arthur, where he was received with every courtesy by the Japanese officials. The judicial authorities, the *N.O. Daily News* says, authorized him to appear at the trial of the accused, if the latter so desired, and permitted Mr. Douglas to visit him in prison. Mr. Douglas saw the man, who appeared to have been well-fed and considerably treated during his detention. When informed that his friends had approached Mr. Douglas with a request that he should undertake his defence, the man expressed his gratification at learning that he had not been forgotten by his friends and relations. He willingly consented to his defence being undertaken by Mr. Douglas. He cannot be represented by counsel at the preliminary investigation, but as soon as the date of the final trial is settled Mr. Douglas will be notified and will proceed to Port Arthur.

THE HONGKONG DOLLAR.

In connection with the seizure by the police of a large amount of counterfeit coin reported the point was raised that a certain silver piece described as the Hongkong dollar was not what it was described, but was in fact the Straits dollar. Support to this theory was found in the fact that the coin contained what looked like an inscription in Malay. As the matter was of some interest one of our representatives consulted the Colonial Treasurer on the subject, who explained that the correct description of the coin in question was the British dollar, which was introduced in 1895 for use in the Straits Settlements and in Hongkong. Two or three years ago the Straits Settlements adopted the gold standard, with the result that so far as the Straits were concerned this dollar was no longer legal tender. The only place in which it remained legal tender was in Hongkong, and this has led to it being termed the Hongkong dollar, a loose expression which is perhaps permissible in the circumstances. By Ordinance 7 of 1895 the British dollar was declared legal tender concurrent with the Mexican dollar.

Of course, there was a Hongkong dollar, properly so called, minted back in the seventies, but it is no longer in circulation, and when found is usually retained as a curio. The Hongkong Mint, which was rather an expensive undertaking, was sold to the Japanese in 1817, and is now in Osaka.

ALLEGED FORGERY OF A WILL.

At the Magistrate yesterday before Mr. Hallifax the hearing of the charge preferred against Wong Yik Shi of forging a will was resumed. Mr. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, appeared to prosecute, and Mr. F. X. D'Almada appeared for the defence.

Mr. Bowley stated that in this case the defendant was charged with uttering and making a false declaration with regard to a will. The case arose out of the estate of Wong Pik Hoi, a gentleman who lived at Kowloon on the West River, and who in the course of his life appeared to have accumulated a considerable amount of property. When he died in 1891 he left four sons and apparently made no will. No administration of the estate appeared to have been granted to anybody until 1908, when it was granted to Mr. Forry Smith, thirty years after the death of Wong Pik Hoi. An action was commenced in the Supreme Court by the third son, Wong Tsun Shi, now deceased, against the eldest son, Wong Yik Shi, who had taken possession of his father's estate and had administered it without lawful authority for thirty years. Under his care it seemed to have prospered and become very valuable. The case brought by the third son against the eldest son was compromised in September this year, by all the members of the family agreeing as to how the estate should be divided. A few days before the compromise was approved by the Court the third son died at Kowloon, and the defendant, who was the fourth son, and had acted as his deceased brother's attorney, received his brother's share. Mr. d'Almada said his friend could not insist on using the word attorney. Immediately the man died the power of attorney given to his brother was revoked.

His Worship said he did not know the facts, and perhaps Mr. Bowley had better continue.

Mr. d'Almada said he did not wish to interrupt. Mr. Bowley thought it would be more correct if he said that defendant acting as attorney for his brother accepted the compromise, the money not being paid until later. The estate of Wong Tsun Shi was sworn at some \$42,000, which was reduced by deductions for debts to \$2,000. Wong Tsun Shi left a widow and three children, and when they received only \$2,000 from the estate when they expected a lakh of dollars they caused inquiries to be made with the result that those proceedings were instituted. Evidence was called and the hearing adjourned.

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KING LEOPOLD CRITICALLY
ILL.

LONDON, December 13th.

News from Brussels states that the condition of King Leopold is extremely grave.

The Royal Family and the Premier are at the King's bedside.

It is stated that His Majesty is suffering from dropsy, and enteritis.

LATER.

King Leopold receives extremeunction to-day prior to an operation which appears inevitable.

His Majesty is suffering terrible stomach pains and is weakening rapidly.

[His Majesty King Leopold II. is seventy-four years of age.]

THE CAPE-TO-CAIRO
RAILWAY.

LONDON, December 13th.

The British section of the Cape to Cairo railway was opened as far as the Congo border on the 11th inst. British and Belgian residents participating in the opening ceremony.

THE BRITISH CHINA
SQUADRON.

NEW COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

LONDON, December 13th.

Vice-Admiral Sir Alfred Leigh Winsloe, K.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G., has been appointed to the China Station.

[Vice-Admiral Winsloe, who is a Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty, was born in 1852. His record is given as follows:—Entered Navy, 1865; Captain, 1892; served Egyptian War, 1882; member of Committee for Revision of Naval Signals; served Naval Brigade in Expedition against Sultan of Yiti, East Africa, 1890; went as Commissioner to Muscat to draw a boundary between the Portuguese and the Chartered Company, 1891; commanded H.M.S. *Spartan* during Chinese-Japanese War, Rear-Admiral Nov., 1904; Vice-Admiral, Nov., 1908; 4th Sea Lord of the Admiralty since 1906. Commanded the *Opheir* on the Royal Tour.]

THE BRITISH ELECTION
CAMPAIGN.MANIFESTO BY MR. JOSEPH
CHAMBERLAIN.

LONDON, December 13th.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain has sent a manifesto to Manchester and Salford, in which he declares Tariff Reform to be necessary to meet the competition of foreigners and to bring the Colonies into closer union with the Motherland.

"AS OTHERS SEE US."

A notice of Mr. J. O. P. Bland's new book, "House-Boat Days in China," has this paragraph:—

There is much shrewd common sense in this entertaining book. Mr. Bland has his ideas on Western methods in China, and Western aims, and he expresses them freely; yet always in a strain of amiable banter which could hardly offend the most sensitive of young missionaries. How, for instance, is his reflection as with two companions he sits in the houseboat cabin. "Yet as he (the missionary) talked on and on as Jim sat there, a grim figure of stolid endurance, the feeling that gradually shaped itself in my mind was one of the futility of all those purposes which we three severely represented in the complex riddle of our cosmos. Here was Wimple, representative of a race of conscience-ridden hustlers, preaching his distorted version of an Asiatic religion to Asiatics—a militant exponent of the ways of peace: Jim peacefully teaching these same Asiatics how to kill each other (and us) most scientifically; and I endeavoring like thousands of other Britons, to earn by a lifetime of exile the means to die decently in mine own place! And 'I could not help wondering what these 'heathen,' over whom we are all so busy, think of our civilisation and its ludicrous results as presented by ourselves."

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The German str. *Borneo* left Sandakan on the 9th inst. p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.

The Bank Line str. *Aymerie* arrived at Manila on the 11th inst.

The Barber Line str. *Saint Patrick* left New York on the 11th inst., for Far East.

The cargo of 814 shipped on board the M.M. str. *Touareg*, which left this port on the 9th inst., was delivered in Lyons on the 11th inst. The C.P.R. str. *Empress of India* left Yokohama on the 12th inst. at 3 p.m. for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.

HONGKONG IN 1908.

THE GOVERNOR'S REPORT.

The Report of H.E. the Governor on Hongkong for the year 1908 was presented to Parliament in October. Most of the information it contains had already been published, but the following excerpts will be found interesting:—

ENGINEERING AND SHIPBUILDING.
This section of the Colony's industry was carried on under adverse circumstances. The great trade depression from which the local shipping suffered severely made its influence felt in this industry, and the amount of new construction turned out by the local companies was not very encouraging.

In regard to war vessels, the active operation of the floating docks at Tsingtau and at Olongapo in the Philippine Islands, installed by the German and United States Governments, respectively, was responsible for the continuance of a very large falling off in the docking and repairing of foreign war vessels, the tonnages dealt with by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock for 1906, 1907, and 1908 being 64,318, 3,692, and 3,652, respectively, with apparently no prospect of future improvement. The tonnage of British war vessels docked was on a level with those prevailing during the year immediately preceding.

Work in the nature of large repairs to steamers was scarce during the earlier half of the year. The typhoon in July, however, contributed to a large extent towards the improvement experienced in this direction during the latter half.

LAND GRANTS AND GENERAL VALUE OF LAND.

The considerable decrease in revenue from sales of Crown land may be partly attributed to the fact that in the City of Victoria there is little available building land left, and partly to the fact that at the present time there is no great demand for new houses in the city and in Old Kowloon, a considerable number of Chinese shops and dwelling-houses being now unlet. The general depression in the land market, which commenced a few years ago, still continues, and capitalists who invested in land and buildings at the high prices ruling some ten years ago have suffered very considerable losses; in many cases properties have been sold by mortgagees at far less than the amount of their securities, while many other mortgagees are holding on, awaiting a more favourable opportunity for realising their securities. There is, however, a very fair demand in the city for property at reduced prices. There appears to be no lack of money in the Colony, and a considerable number of transactions in land have taken place during the past year.

There have been a large number of small lots of Crown land for private dwellings and industries in the New Territories, and the demand for these is likely to further increase, as the native population now realises the reasonable terms upon which Crown land can be obtained and the security of tenure afforded by holding under a long lease direct from the Crown.

Three areas of over 40 acres of land at Tai O in the Island of Loo Tsoo for use as salt pans were put up for auction on an 18 years' lease at the upset rental of \$15 per acre per annum, and after considerable competition one lot of over 21 acres realised as much as \$170 per acre per annum, which shows that salt pans in a good locality are apparently very remunerative undertakings. During the year a second area of one square mile in the New Territories was leased to Sir Paul Chater for 75 years for mining purposes.

THE SUBSIDIARY COINAGE QUESTION.

Throughout the year negotiations were in progress between this Government and the Chinese authorities, both at Canton and at Peking, on the subject of the loss and inconvenience caused by the depreciation of the Colony's subsidiary currency owing to the over-issue of small coins by the Mint in Canton, which circulate freely in the Colony at a heavy discount and cause the legal tender currency to fall to a nearly corresponding discount. This Government adopted the expedient of withdrawing from circulation 878,000 of subsidiary silver coin and \$30,000 of bronze coin. These coins were shipped to London, where they were melted down and sold as bullion for £60,500, i.e. 4s. 4d. and £1,190 1s. respectively. Up to the close of the year the negotiations with the Chinese Government had not produced any satisfactory result. The average annual loss to revenue from this source as calculated for the last three years has been \$184,204, including the loss by demotion of unissued stocks. The average loss on the same period, which would have been incurred by payment of discount instead of demotion, was \$26,777.

SCHOOLS' FOOTBALL.

The following matches in the Hongkong Schools' Football League were played last week, the results being as under:—

JUNIOR LEAGUE.	
Saiyungpun:1.	Queen's College 1.
Wanchai:6.	Victoria, 1.
St. Joseph's A. 2.	Yau-mai, 1.
The League table now stands:—	
SENIOR-SCHOOLS' SHIELD.	
SCHOOL.	P. W. L. D. F. A. POINTS.
Wanchai School	5 3 1 0 1 2 1 3
St. Joseph's Coll.	3 1 1 1 2 2 3
Diocesan School	1 0 1 0 1 0
Queen's College	— — — — —
JUNIOR-GOVERNOR'S CUP.	
SCHOOL.	P. W. L. D. F. A. POINTS.
Saiyungpun School	5 3 1 1 9 4 7
Wanchai School	5 2 1 2 10 6 6
St. Joseph's A. ...	4 2 1 1 3 5 5
Diocesan School	3 1 0 2 2 1 4
E. Kadouris School	4 2 2 0 8 5 4
Queen's College ...	3 1 1 1 5 2 3
Yau-mai School	5 0 3 2 3 10 2
Victoria School	2 0 1 1 3 5 1

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 13th at 12.20 p.m.—The barometer has fallen slightly over Vladivostok, S. Japan and the Bonins; and risen elsewhere, particularly over China and Tongking.

An anti-cyclonic area is lying over China, and pressure is relatively low over S. Japan and over the S. part of the China Sea.

Monsoon gales may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood	N. and N.E. winds, strong; fine, squally.
Formosa Channel	N. and N.E. gales.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Loo-tsoo	Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	Same as No. 2.

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Captain R. W. H. Snow, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, &c., on SATURDAY, the 25th December, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "MORRA," 11,000 tons, from Colombo, passengers' accommodation, in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London after cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the B.M.S. "DELTA," due in London on the 19th February, 1910.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to—

E. EBWERT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 13th December, 1909. [1]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once, at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 15th inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1909. [1501]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

FROM SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

"JAPAN,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1909. [1516]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE

WANTED BOARD AND RESIDENCE
Higher Level, a European family on one of the
Replies to—

M. G. R.,
Care of "Daily Press" Office,
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1909. [1476]

PUBLIC COMPANY

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SCRIP CERTIFICATE with respect to 5 Shares numbered 3029/3033 in the above-named Office standing in the name of Mr. CHUN GUAN of Saigon, has been LOST, and should the same not be produced before the 22nd inst., a new Scrip Certificate will be issued to the said Mr. CHUN GUAN, and no transaction taking place under the old Scrip Certificate will be recognized by the Office.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents
Hongkong, 7th December, 1909. [1493]

AUCTION

E. R.
PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 20th day of December, 1909, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, by Order of His EXCELLENCY the GOVERNOR, of One Lot of GROWN LAND at corner of Shin Hing Street and Hollywood Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Lot No.	Area (Acres)	Area (Sqr. Feet)	Area (Sqr. Yards)	Area (Sqr. Meters)	Area (Sqr. Decimeters)
1	1.4	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
2	1.4	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
3	1.4	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
4	1.4	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
5	1.4	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
6	1.4	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
7	1.4	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
8	1.4	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
9	1.4	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
10	1.4	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE

M. P. THOMAS, having been Appointed AGENT for the MESSAGERIES MARITIMES and the CHARGEURS REUNIS at Hongkong, takes charge of the above Companies' Agency from this date.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1909. [1506]

NOTICE

A GRAND BAZAAR of TOYS will be held in the Premises of the CATHOLIC UNION, on SUNDAY, the 19th inst., from 4 to 8 P.M., in aid of Christmas TENTS and other Comforts for the Poor.

Admission, 50 Cents.
Each Ticket will entitle the holder to a X'mas Present, if presented at the Souvenir Stall on the evening of the 19th.

The Band of the 13th Regt. will be in attendance.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1909. [1510]

"SOLIGNUM"

A perfect preservative stain for Wood, Stone and Brickwork.

It protects against Decay, Fungus, Dry Rot, the ravages of insects and vermin (especially the white ant) and the action of the weather.

"SOLIGNUM" REALLY DOES WHAT IS CLAIMED FOR IT, as may be seen from the testimonials of the Governments of India, the Sudan, &c.

In Drums and Barrels of Various Colours.

Prospectus and all further information from SIEMSEN & Co. (Machinery Dept.), Hongkong.

Sole Agents
Hongkong, 8th December, 1909. [1494]

SIEN TING

SURGEON DENTIST

No. 10, D'AGUIAR STREET

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation Free.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1905. [1221]

DR. M. H. CHAUN.

THE latest Method of the AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.
33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1907. [1152]

FOR SALE OR TO LET

DERRINGTON PEAK ROAD, No. 8.

SHORNCLEIFFE, Garden Road, 7.

For Particulars apply to—

C. SCHROTER

King's Buildings, 11th Fl.,
Care of Carrels, Byrner & Co.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [1140]

FOR SALE

Quantity of NETTING for Tennis Courts, &c.

TABLE BILLIARD SETS, SLATE BEDS, from \$40.00.

CHINA EXPRESS CO.,

3, Duddell Street. [50]

LABUAN COAL

NOTICE—THIS COAL can only be obtained from THE LABUAN COAL-FIELDS Co., Ltd., who are prepared to Supply FRESH COAL straight from the Mines Steamers load at the Wharves. Quick despatch.

Telegrams: "Labor Labuan."
BRADLEY & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 12th August, 1909. [1406]

X'MAS GOODS

CARDS, CRACKERS, DOLLS, STAMPS, &c.

GRACA & CO.

27, Des Vaux Road. [1259]

ENTERTAINMENTS

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, WEST POINT.

ORGAN RECITAL.

Mr. GEO. GRIMBLE,
TO-DAY, (TUESDAY), 14TH
DECEMBER, 1909, AT
5.30 P.M.

Vocalists:
Mrs. BELLING. Mr. R. E. WHITE. [1496]

INSURANCES

NOTICE.

HAVING been appointed AGENTS in Hongkong for the WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY, we are prepared to accept approved European and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
Hongkong, 18th August, 1909. [1083]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY.

WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE CO.
TOTAL FUNDS at 31st December, 1908 £19,121,310.

I. Authorized Capital £6,000,000
Subscribed Capital £3,275,000
Paid-up Capital £2,045,753 7 10

II. Fire Funds £1,204,953 7 10
The Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 14th August, 1909. [908]

WE receive regularly New Shipments of

EXTRA CHOICE

ENGLISH BACON

75 CENTS PER LB.

THE DAIRY FARM CO., LTD.

[563]

AUTOMATIC BROWNING POCKET PISTOLS.

CALLIBEE 7.65 mm.

With CHAMBER for 8 CARTRIDGES.

FIRING 8 SHOTS IN 2 SECONDS.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1907. [47]

TO LET

OFFICES TO LET.

ON the Second Floor, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Central, corner of Ice House Street, SIX ROOMS and AIRY ROOMS, with lavatory and kitchen attached. For terms apply to—

H. PERCY SMITH, F.C.A.,
Receiver for L.M. AYLADES & Co.,
in Voluntary Liquidation,
5, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [1470]

TO LET

NO. 2, ELLIOTT CRESCENT, ROBINSON ROAD, Six Roomed House, with Out-house, Commanding a Fine View of the Harbour.

Apply to—

F. X. D'ALMADA & CASTRO,
35, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 7th July, 1909. [936]

POPULAR SUMMER RETREAT.

ONE of the BEST HOUSES at Kuliang, the beautiful Summer Resort and Sanatorium, near Foochow, to be let, fully furnished; for the whole season. Apply to Office of this paper for references.

Foochow, 22nd May, 1909. [794]

TO LET

GODOWN, No. 4, Praya, Kennedy Town.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [1340]

TO LET

FURNISHED HOUSE at the PEAK, from 1st January to October, 1910.

Apply to—

D. A. W.,
Care of "Daily Press" Office,
Hongkong, 11th December, 1909. [1507]

TO LET

NOS. 52 and 59, CAINE ROAD.

Apply to—

HO U MING,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1909. [1177]

TO LET

NO. 3, MORRISON HILL. Immediate entry.

Apply to—

Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
Hongkong, 10th December, 1909. [1500]

TO LET

GODOWNS Nos. 7, 8 and 10, and the Top Floor of No. 3, (Tang Lap Ting's Godown East Point).

Immediate Possession. Rent exceptionally moderate.

Apply to—

KAM FOK,
No. 107, Wellington Street,
behind the Stag Hotel or Keeper of No. 6, Godown on the Spot.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1909. [797]

TO LET

TO LET.

NO. 1, GARDEN ROAD, Kowloon. Eight-Roomed House and Tennis Court. Apply to—

H. M. H. NEMAZEE,
9, Fadder's Hill.
Hongkong, 14th August, 1909. [1073]

TO LET

NOS. 20 and 21, PRAYA, KENNEDY TOWN, Two Extensive Two-Storeyed Semi-Detached Godowns; Ground Surface of Cement Concrete.

No. 1A, PRAYA, KENNEDY TOWN, One Extensive Two Storeyed Godown.

All are in First-Class Condition, suitable for storing Rice, Flour, &c.

Rents moderate.

Apply to—

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 8th November, 1909. [1396]

TO LET

ONE SPACIOUS GODOWN, No. 125, Wanchai Road.

Apply to—

REUTER BROCKELMANN & Co.
Hongkong, 20th September, 1909. [911]

TO LET

IN No. 6, DES VEAUX ROAD CENTRAL, ONE GODOWN.

IN No. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria Building, Rooms suitable for Offices.

ROOMS in College Chambers No. 31 Wyndham Street.

Apply to—

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 19th November, 1909. [1054]

TO LET

KING'S BUILDINGS.

OFFICES facing the Harbour from about October at present in occupation of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [818]

STORAGE

FOR COAL, TIMBER, &c.

TO BE LET, a Portion of MARINE LOT No. 285 at NORTH POINT, Suitable for above Purpose. EXTENSIVE WATER FRONT. DEEP WATER.

Also FOR SALE.

Portions of MARINE LOTS Nos. 31 & 36 on PRAYA, EAST. Approximate AREA 4,000 SQUARE FT. 999 YEARS' LEASE. For Particulars apply to—

GEO. FENWICK & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 8th June, 1905. [96]

TO LET

GODOWN, No. 5A, DUDDELL STREET.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [98]

TO BE LET

WITH Possession from March, 1910. (Unfurnished or, if desired, the furniture could be taken over at a valuation.)

"IAN MOE," Peak Road, Six Roomed semi-detached house, commanding a good view of the harbour. Tennis Court and Vegetable Garden.

NEW and COMMODIOUS SHOPS, Nathan Road, Kowloon. Immediate Possession. Cheap Rentals.

KOWLOON MARINE LOT 48, Yau Ma Tei, Area 55,000 square feet with 255 feet Sea Frontage. Especially suited for Storage of Coal, Timber, &c.

Apply to—

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [1238-1471]

TO LET

NO. 2, OLD BAILEY. Possession from 1st December.

Apply to—

ARRATON V. APCAR & Co.,
Des Vaux Road.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1909. [1388]

TO LET

NO. 2, BEAUFIELD ARCADE, facing the Parade Ground.

PREMISES lately vacated by Messrs. Gordon & Co., known as 21, Whitefield, Shaukiwan Road.

PREMISES at SHAMSHAN, CANTON, now in occupation of the Canton Kowloon Railway.

The EXHIBIT, No. 13, Peak, Six Rooms, Tennis Court and very large Garden.

BEAUFIELD ARCADE, 2 Rooms on 1st Floor, well suited for Office.

No. 25, SHELLY STREET (new House), GODOWNS in Duddell Street.

HOUSES in BELLILIOS TERRACE, ROBINSON ROAD, newly painted and color-washed, exceptionally cheap rentals.

FOR SALE.—Two Cases, at Peak, commanding a magnificent view of the Harbour and adjacent islands.

Apply to—

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings,
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1909. [100]

TO LET—FURNISHED

"TANTALLON," 125A, BARKER ROAD. Rent \$225 per Month. Seen by appointment only.

Apply to—

GODDARD & DOUGLAS,
Hongkong, 9th December, 1909. [1497]

TO LET

A HOUSE in Wong Nei Chong Road.

A HOUSE in RYDON TERRACE.

OFFICES TO LET, No. 2, Connaught Road, 3rd Floor

NAPIER JOHNSTONES' **"SQUARE BOTTLE"** **WHISKY.**



SOLE AGENTS IN HONGKONG:
LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.,
 and from ALL WINE MERCHANTS. [52]

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "ATYMERIC."

FROM TACOMA, VANCOUVER, YOKO-
 HAMA, KOBE AND MOI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & Co., Ltd.,
 Agents,
 Hongkong, 7th December, 1909. [8]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"MANSHU MARU,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of Cargo alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after SUNDAY, the 12th inst., 1909, at 4 p.m., will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected. All Cargo undelivered SATURDAY, the 18th inst., 1909, at NOON, will be subject to rent.

All claims and otherwise damaged Cargo will be examined TUESDAY, the 14th inst., at 10 A.M. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

N. YAMADA,
 Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 18th October, 1909. [1509]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINZ SIGISMUND,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 17th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 17th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 21st inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
 MELCHERS & Co.,
 General Agents.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1909. [5]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

(Florida and Rubattino United Companies.)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ISCHIA,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be taken delivery of immediately.

All Claims must be sent to the Office of the undersigned before NOON on the 21st inst., or they will not be recognized.

All Claims will be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. CARLOWITZ & Co.,
 Agents,
 Hongkong, 11th November, 1909. [4]

THE EXTRAORDINARY CASE OF **MR. NORMAN RAYMOND.**

I, Patrick Norman Raymond, of "The Refuge," Narayan, Pitha Road, Colombo, am glad of the opportunity thus afforded me to tell the story of my miraculous experience, my cure being a miracle, one may truly say, for it was thought by many that I could not live. If some other poor sufferer benefits by my narrative then I shall be amply repaid and satisfied.

"I am now 47 years of age, and it was about six years ago that I first fell ill. At that time I was head clerk to a firm of Colombo merchants, but I had to leave them finally because this illness rendered me unfit for duty. The start of my symptoms was that I had acute diarrhoea, and on and off—attacks of Malarial Fever. Then I became so ill that I was laid up in bed, and finally my condition became so serious that I was removed to Hospital. By this time Eruptions had appeared all over my face and body, and my feet had swollen up. I left the Hospital after about a week, because it was my wife's desire to nurse me herself and after my return home the best physicians in Colombo were called in. They did all they could, but my malady baffled them despite their skill, and day by day my condition went from bad to worse. I was absolutely bed-ridden, could eat no solid food—simply keeping life in my body by taking milk. My pains were terrible, the whole of my body—head, legs, and every joint—being a source of torture to me. It was agony even to turn over on to my side.

"The doctors differed as to the nature of my disease; some said it was Rheumatism with complications, others that it was a disorder of the nerves, but one by one they all gave me up as a hopeless case. I turned to medicine, but this proved equally useless, and after that I gave up all faith in doctors and their medicines, and abandoned myself to despair. There I lay helpless, suffering agonies, a misery to myself, a source of anxiety and sorrow to my dear wife and family, hopelessly waiting to be called away beyond the grave.

"It was then that my mother-in-law suggested a trial of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. She had heard of so many other sufferers having found benefit and cure from their use that she thought that might help me. Well, my wife procured a supply of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and unbelievable as it may seem—the first bottle of them made a marked change for the better in my condition. Soon I was able to get up on my feet again and to move about the house. I regained appetite, slept better, the pains diminished every day. By degrees all the eruptions disappeared from my face and body, the fever left me, I improved in every possible way. After that I was able to get out and take up work again. For seven months now I have been agent for a big firm of Talking Machines agents, travelling for them all over Ceylon. The benefit I have derived from Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are absolutely miraculous—no other word can describe them. I am never tired of telling the story of this wonderful medicine which took me from my dying bed and put me on my feet again, an active and exceedingly thankful man.

It has been in cases described as "incurable" that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People have often wrought their most wonderful cures. These Pills act through the blood. They purify and at the same time strengthen the blood; they make new blood; and this pure, strong health-renewing blood; drives out the cause of disease and restores all the organs of the system to vigorous life. They are the pure remedy for Anemia (weak watery blood), Malaria, Nephritis, Headaches, Rheumatism, Sciatica, Paralysis, Beri-Beri, Boils, Pimples and Skin Disorders, and those special ailments which trouble ladies between youth and middle life. Obtainable at most shops where medicines are sold, also direct from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 38, Kinkiang Road, Shanghai, six bottles for \$8 or one bottle for \$1.50, post free.

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Mr. P. N. Raymond, of Colombo, Ceylon, Given up as a Hopeless Case by Doctors, and who here relates how he was raised from his Dying Bed by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

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Britain for nearly six centuries, and is, I think, one of the most lasting alliances the world has ever seen. During that time in the most critical moments, our soldiers have fought shoulder to shoulder both on land and at sea.

"Only to-day, as your Majesty so well said, the Treaty of Arbitration, which is a new link of peace between our two countries has just been renewed. Your Majesty has just conferred upon me the Order of the Garter, the oldest and noblest of the English Orders. Many of my predecessors have been proud of wearing it since King John I and his sons, who were also the sons of an English Princess, the virtuous Queen Philippa of Lancaster. Their names are illustrious, the Infantes Dom Duarte, Dom Pedro, and the great Henry the Navigator; these names we can see inscribed on these walls.

"The manifestations of affection and cordiality so often exchanged between our two Houses, and more recently between your Majesty and the King, my dear beloved father, and my noble mother, are what I can never forget them. The splendid reception which was extended to me since I landed till I reached this historic Castle has moved me profoundly, and it is with these feelings in my heart that I raise my glass to greet your Majesty, who is the highest personification of the British Empire, her Majesty Queen Alexandra, and the Royal Family.

COMMERCIAL ITEMS.

PEKIN DISPATCH.

The report of the consulting engineers to this important undertaking has been well received by the market, says a London paper, and the shares, which were about 16 1/2 previous to its publication, have since risen to well over 18. There is little question that the facts set forth in the report promise most important developments. The period covered is for about six months, and in that time almost all the development work had been concentrated upon the sinking of the shaft, which was commenced in February, 1908. So rapid had been the progress that a production of 31,150 tons was secured for the month of October. Further borings were made during the time to test the property, and from these it would seem that the coal now actually proved and available for the fire shafts sunk was at least ten million tons. The consulting engineers further consider that a workable field of coal lying to the north, and if the test to be made confirms this view there will be further large areas of coal easily accessible. The shareholders in the syndicate, therefore, appear at last to be at the point of securing a steady income from this source, and it will be interesting to note the cost of production when the ordinary report and accounts come to hand.

BRITISH AND CHINESE CORPORATION.

The report states that the profits for the year ended 31st March amounted to \$24,345, which, added to the sum brought forward, makes \$24,219. The directors recommend a dividend of 10s. per share (10 per cent.) free of income-tax, leaving \$11,719 to be carried forward. The directors regret to be unable to report the conclusion of any new business. The corporation is, however, interested in proposals which have been on foot for a considerable period for financing the construction of two important proposed Chinese railways. After protracted negotiations, and when it was believed that all difficulties had been accommodated, a demand for participation in the business arose in an unexpected quarter. Negotiations connected with this claim have suspended the completion of the business and necessitated a rearrangement of interests, concerning which it is hoped an understanding may be reached before long.

SHANGHAI TRANSPORT.

Shareholders of the Shanghai Transport and Trading Company will receive a substantial bonus in the shape of an issue of new shares. The directors announce that an allotment of 200,000 Ordinary shares will be made pro rata to shareholders at \$2.11s. per share, in which is included the sum of 1s. per share, being the amount of the interim dividend on the shares due to be paid next January. The Ordinary paid-up capital is now \$2,350,000 in 24 shares, and the issue will mean that every holder of about nine shares will receive one new share. The quotation of the old shares is about 70s., so that the bonus on each share received will be about 20s. The premiums received upon the new issue will be over \$300,000, which, if carried to the reserves, will raise their total to over \$1,100,000, or just upon 35 percent. of the paid-up capital. The company has no debenture stock, and the last report showed that it had practically no debts on trading account, so that it is in a very strong position, which partly accounts for the distribution of 20 per cent. declared for last year.

HEAD HUNTING IN BORNEO.

A SURVIVAL OF BARBARIC TIMES.

An account was recently published in these columns of the difficulties experienced by the authorities in Borneo in their attempts to stamp out the ancient custom of the Dayaks, known as head-hunting. A recent number of the Advocate gives the following description of the inhuman practice, which also explains why the endeavours to end it are met with such strenuous opposition by the natives.

Justly are the Dayaks (one of the principal tribes in Borneo) called head-hunters, for during the whole of their life, from early youth till their death, all their thoughts are fixed on the hunting of heads. It is the first thing for the Dayak grandmother to teach to her grandchildren—it is the last thought of the dying Dayak.

The child, unable to speak, scarcely able to walk, is addressed by his grandmother in the following way: "Listen well, my rice-basket (these terms are equivalent of our 'little angel,' or 'my dear'), we put all our confidence in you, for you have to avenge us. For the head of your grandfather or some other member of your family is hanging somewhere over the fireplace, and you have to avenge us. Let us not consider in you in vain, let it not be in vain that we educate you and carry you to the river to bathe, let us not have given you our milk in vain." This is the daily admonition the boy receives till at the age of fourteen or fifteen he reaches manhood.

Then comes the time for marriage. Of course he wants to get a good wife, but he cannot unless he can show a human head to the women. And so it goes through the whole of his life: the women, in their cruelty and blood-thirstiness, are the cause of this head-hunting.

A very affecting ceremony (at least in the eyes of the Dayaks) takes place when the heads come home for the first time. This ceremony has to be performed before the sun has reached its zenith. The whole house is decorated, mats are spread, and as a substitute for flags they hang blankets from the roof. Suddenly a war-whoop is raised in front of the house, and the warriors approach to the bottom of the ladder (every house is built on posts). Then mats are spread, and they sit down whilst the women sing, the miming (an epic song) in honour of the heroes. This song alone makes such a tremendous impression on some young men

that they forthwith descend into their boats to go for the purpose of capturing another human head.

Then the men ascend the ladder and go to the verandah of the house. There a pig, just butchered, lies in a pool of blood; every man steps in this blood, and then on to a certain stone ready for the occasion. This means health and long life for them. After that the women take possession of the fresh head and start at once their horrible dance with it.

A special kind of food is prepared to feed jeeringly the head or heads; they fill the mouth, nose, ears, and eyes with rice, and, dancing, they express the wish that it will enjoy its food. At last, exhausted with dancing and yelling, they roast the head above the fire, till the smell becomes intolerable, even for the women. For seven days and seven nights the feasting goes on, and during that time nobody is allowed to sleep, especially during the night.

EXAMINATION OF PRINCE ITO'S ASSASSIN.

TREATMENT OF PRISONERS.

The Jiji reports that the examination of the assassin of Prince Ito and his accomplice at Port Arthur by Procurator Mizobuchi is progressing, but the particulars of the proceedings are strictly concealed from the public. The documentary evidence collected makes a large volume, and includes letters in Russian, Chinese, and Korean, besides telegrams, to obtain which a considerable sum of money has been paid received by the accused daily from Vladivostok, Shanghai, Harbin, and Korea.

The prisoners are said to be satisfied with the treatment accorded them in prison. It is a rule of the Port Arthur Prison to treat Koreans on the same level as the Chinese, but an exception has been made in the present case, the assassin and his accomplices being treated like Japanese. It is alleged that no torture or flogging is resorted to in the examination. The prisoners are allowed to say what they please. Shortly after the assassin was put in prison, he wrote down the reasons for his crime, but what he had to say, remarks the report, was based on a misunderstanding on his part.—Japan Chronicle.

PROMISE AND FULFILMENT.

There is an old axiom to the effect that what everybody says must be true. Certainly it is generally safe to follow the crowd. Its instinct is usually right, and in the matter of common ailments you may profitably pay heed to the opinion of the majority—while in times of sickness puts its faith in the efficacy of Beecham's Pills. Nor has that trust been misplaced. An annual sale of 5,000,000 boxes proves the universality of the belief in the value of

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
ALABAMA, British steamer, 1,700, C. T. M. Fuller, 13th Dec.—Amoy 12th Dec.
AMIGO, German str., 822, H. Frandson, 13th Dec.—Shanghai 10th Dec., General-Jensen & Co.
ANHUI, British str., 1,259, J. B. Harris, 12th Dec.—Shanghai 9th Dec., General-Butterfield & Swire.
CHRYSEIS, Chinese str., 1,171, C. Stewart, 13th Dec.—Shanghai 10th Dec., General-C. M. S. N. Co.
GLUCIER, U.S. str., 5,500, R. T. Lopez, 13th Dec.—Manila 10th Dec., General-T.S.S.
HUIKOW, British str., 13th Dec.—Canton.
HUNAN, British str., 1,043, W. Benge, 12th Dec.—Shanghai 9th Dec., General-Butterfield & Swire.
JAPAN, British str., 3,806, J. G. Olfert, 13th Dec.—Moji 8th Dec., General and Coal—David Sassoon & Co.
SIANGHAI, British str., 13th Dec.—Canton.
SIRIUS, German str., 2,345, v. Hoff, 13th Dec.—Shanghai 10th Dec., General-Hamburg-Amerika Linie.
YAWATA MARU, Jap. str., 2,703, K. Sakuma, 12th Dec.—Moji 7th Dec., Coal-Ataka & Co.
YUNNANG, British str., 1,129, P. H. Rolfe, 13th Dec.—Manila 10th Dec., General-Jardine, Matheson & Co.
YUNNAN, British str., 13th Dec.—Canton.
ZAPING, British str., 1,629, R. Rodger, 13th Dec.—Manila 11th Dec., General-Sheehan, Thomas & Co.

CLEARANCES.
 AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 13th December.
Tri, Norwegian str., for Haiphong.
Haiyung, British str., for Swatow.
Honghe, British str., for Amoy.
Kian, Chinese str., for Chinkiang.
Signal, German str., for Swatow.
Wosung, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURE.
 13th December.
FOOSHING, British str., for Canton.

VESSLS IN DOCK.
 December 13th.
Kowloon Dock—H.M.S. *Virago*, H.M.S. *Fame*, H.M.S. *Taku*, H.M.F.M.S. *Rainha*, *Amelia*, *Helena*, *Bio Lima*.
Cosmopolitan Dock—*Manchu Maru*.

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THE Steamship
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 Captain W. Barrett, will be despatched as above on or about 26th December.
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1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blakes Pier. 3. From Blakes Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & REG.	BEITH.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO.	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NORSE	Brit. str.	—	G. Phillips, R.M.S.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
LONDON, &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	DELTA	Brit. str.	—	B. W. H. Snow	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 23rd inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	DENNISBURGH	Brit. str.	—	W. Barrett	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 26th inst.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & AMSTERDAM	CARDIGANSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	W. O. Tyers	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 19th inst.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ABADIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Neumann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 20th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SENIGALIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Eckhorn	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 1st Jan.
COPENHAGEN & BALTIC PORTS	SCANDIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	v. Dohren	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 15th Jan.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	INDIAN	Swed. str.	—	Charbonnet	MELCHERS & Co.	Middle of Febr.
MARSEILLES LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	TOKIN	Frans. str.	—	Harbinger	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 21st inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	HIRANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Fraser	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., at D'light
MARSEILLES & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TANGO MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. Christensen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 5th Jan., at D'light
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPENHAGEN, &c.	SURVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Selmer	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 5th Jan.
MARSEILLES LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KANG MARU	Dan. str.	—	F. L. Sommer	MELCHERS & Co.	About 5th Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP & HAMBURG, &c.	SYTHONTA	Jap. str.	—	Brehmer	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 15th Jan., at D'light
MARSEILLES & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	PENKONGSHIR	Brit. str.	k. w.	E. Hayes	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 20th inst.
TRIESTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	BRASILIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Jäger	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 25th Jan.
NEW YORK	PRINZ LUDWIG	Ger. str.	—	E. Binsar	MELCHERS & Co.	On 10th Febr.
BOSTON & NEW YORK	E. F. FERDINAND	Aus. str.	—	E. Nitsche	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHIMOSA	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 26th inst., A.M.
VANCOUVER, B.C., TACOMA & SEATTLE VIA JAPAN	IMPERIAL	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 22nd inst.
VANCOUVER VIA JAPAN PORTS	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	J. Boyd	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 28th inst.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 1st Jan., at 7 A.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, &c.	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 22nd inst.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, &c.	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 15th Feb., at Noon
CALLAO, ILOILO, &c., VIA JAPAN PORTS, &c.	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 8th Jan.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 19th Jan.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 19th inst., at D'light
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 24th inst., at Noon
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 31st inst., at D'light
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 10th Jan., at D'light
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 21st Jan., at Noon
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MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 16th inst., at 5 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 22nd inst., at Noon
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	Quick despatch.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	To-day, at 10 A.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	To-morrow, at Noon
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
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MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	To-morrow, at 8 A.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 16th inst., at 4 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 16th inst., at 4 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 17th inst.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 19th inst., at D'light
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 19th inst., at D'light
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	About 18th inst.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 20th inst., P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 23rd inst., at 4 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	About 24th inst.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 24th inst., at D'light
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 26th inst., at D'light
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 5th Jan.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 17th Jan.
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MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 22nd inst., at 8 A.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 23rd inst.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 19th inst., at 10 A.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	To-day, at Noon.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	To-day, at 10 A.M.
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MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	To-day, at 3 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 18th inst., at Noon.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 21st inst., at 3 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 24th inst., at 3 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 24th inst., at 4 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	Middle of Dec.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 16th inst., at Noon.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 16th inst.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	On 5th Jan., at Noon.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, PACIFIC & Co.	Quick despatch.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. BREMEN IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
KUDAT & SANDAKAN ...	"BORNEO" Capt. F. SMITH	Middle of December.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & BREMEN	"PRINZ LUDWIG" Capt. F. V. BINSER	Wedday, 15th Dec., at Noon
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"BUELOW" Capt. F. PROSCH	Wedday, 15th December.
MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. D. LENZ	Friday, 31st Dec., at D'light

For further Particulars, apply to
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 GENERAL AGENTS HONGKONG & CHINA.
 Hongkong, 13th December, 1909. [5]

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ATYMERIC	4,363	J. Boyd	On 22nd December.
SUVERIO	6,232	S. Shotton	On 13th January, 1910.
OCEANO	4,657	F. W. Davies	On 10th February.
KUMERIC	6,232	J. Mathie	On 10th March.
ATYMERIC	4,363	J. Boyd	On 7th April.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"OCEANIE" Capt. Sellier	On 20th Dec., P.M.
MARSEILLES, VIA PORTS	"TONKIN" Capt. Charbonnet	On 21st Dec., 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"NERA" Capt. Martin	On 3rd Jan., P.M.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	"POLYNESIE" Capt. Broc	On 4th Jan., 1 P.M.

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 Hongkong, 11th December, 1909. [2]

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"MONTEAGLE" Tuesday, 15th Feb.
"EMPERESS OF INDIA" Sat., 26th Feb.
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN" Sat., 26th Mar.
"EMPERESS OF CHINA" Sat., 23rd April.
 From St. John, N.B.
"ALLAN LINE" Friday, 23rd Jan.
"EMPERESS OF IRELAND" Fri., 25th Feb.
"EMPERESS OF IRELAND" Fri., 25th Mar.
"EMPERESS OF IRELAND" Fri., 22nd April.
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DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,
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 Hongkong, 10th December, 1909. [1501]

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 For LONDON, ROTTERDAM AND AMSTERDAM.

THE Steamship
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 Captain W. O. Tyers, will be despatched as above about the 19th January.
 For Further Particulars, apply to
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 Hongkong, 13th December, 1909. [1512]



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THE Company's Steamship
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 Captain E. Nitsche, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 26th Dec., A.M.
 This

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Mails from EUROPE via SIBERIA:—

Date of Despatch from London.	Date due in Hongkong.	Vessels.
24th Nov.	To-day	Nere.

The str. China, with the American mail, may be expected here to-day at noon. The Duxlow, with the German mail of the 17th ultimo, left Singapore on Friday, the 10th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, a.m.

FOR	FROM	DATE
Singapore, Amoy, Swatow, Hongkong, Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji.	Haiyang	Tuesday, 14th, 9.00 A.M.
	Quarta	Tuesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
	Bungliang	Tuesday, 14th, 11.00 A.M.
	Deucalon	Tuesday, 14th, 11.00 A.M.
	Samsen	Tuesday, 14th, 1.00 P.M.
	Sui Tai	Tuesday, 14th, 1.15 P.M.
	Choupa	Tuesday, 14th, 2.00 P.M.
	Zouan	Tuesday, 14th, 2.00 P.M.
	Wangong	Tuesday, 14th, 2.00 P.M.
	Amigo	Tuesday, 14th, 3.00 P.M.
	Choupa	Tuesday, 14th, 5.00 P.M.
	Knitberg	Tuesday, 14th, 5.00 P.M.
	Bujun Maru	Tuesday, 14th, 5.00 P.M.
	Nore	Wednesday, 15th, 9.00 A.M.
	Yachow	Wednesday, 15th, 9.00 A.M.
	Indramayo	Wednesday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
	Gregory	Wednesday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.

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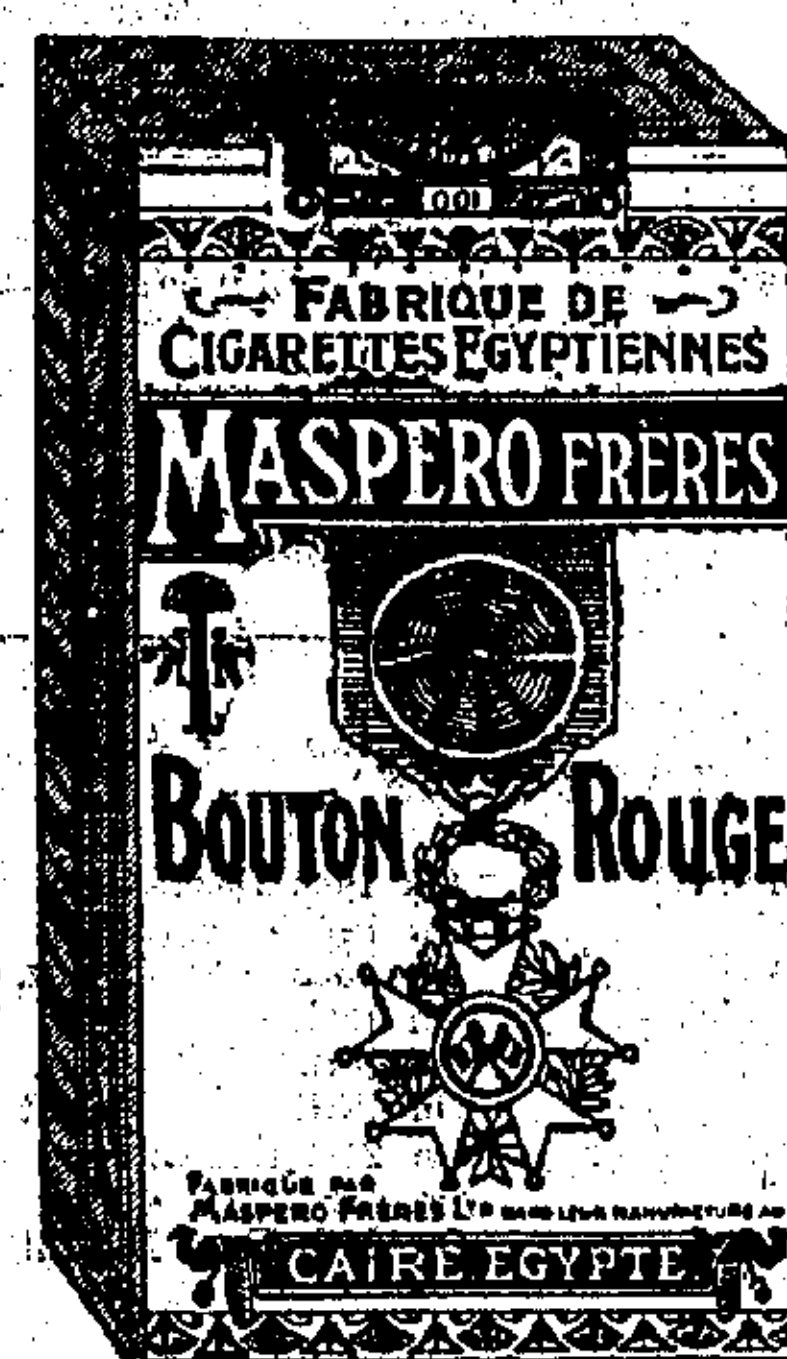
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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 13TH, 1909.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$997, sales
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	\$6	\$65, buyers
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$10, buyers
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$12, sellers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$6, buyers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$950, sellers
COTTON MILLS.				
Yee Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 133.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	120,000	Tls. 40	Tls. 40	\$64, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 90.
Lee Yee Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 111.
Soy Yee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 430.
DAILY NEWS PAPER, LIMITED	40,000	\$74	\$4	\$163, sellers
DOCKS AND WHARVES.				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$613, sellers
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$54, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$63	\$63	\$9, sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	58,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 77.
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 129.
GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$11, sellers
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$73, sal. & sel.
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$210, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$20, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$75, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	8,000	\$25	\$25	\$43, buyers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$180, sellers
INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$150, sales
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$117, buyers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$92, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$375, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$15	Tls. 115, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$395, buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$50	\$60
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$102.
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$84, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$30	\$30, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 120.
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$44.
MINING.				
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$625, buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	18/10	\$73, sellers
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	\$133, sellers
Philippine Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$1	\$130, sellers
	75,000	\$10	\$10	\$94, buyers
REFINING.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$150, sellers
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$21.
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50, sellers
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.				
China and Mainland Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$8, sellers
Donghai Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$35, sellers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$304, buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$5	all	\$41, sal. & b.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	60,000 def.	\$1	\$1	\$15, sal. & b.
Star Ferry Company, Limited	2,000,000	\$10	\$10	\$26, buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$144, sellers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$24, buyers
	20,000	\$5	\$5	\$24, sellers
STORES AND DISPENSARIES.				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$12.
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	\$3, sellers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$5, sellers
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$73, sellers
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	\$10	\$10	\$10, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 ordy.	\$10	\$4	\$24, sellers
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100 fdrds.	\$10	\$10	\$104, sellers
RUBBERS.				
Salgonaes	—	—	—	\$75 (Sta.) sales
Pegohs	—	—	—	\$2280 (Sta.)
Ragallas	—	—	—	\$22 (Sta.)
Anglo-Malay	—	—	—	14/3
Castellfields, fully paid	—	—	—	51/- sellers
Consolidated Malays	—	—	—	\$6-10-0
Damenaras	—	—	—	\$4-0-0
Highlands and Lowlands	—	—	—	60/-
Kunings	—	—	—	30/- prom.
Kuala Lumpur	—	—	—	90/-
Ledbury's	—	—	—	47/6, sellers
Linggis	—	—	—	24/6, sales
Sopongs	—	—	—	23/6, sellers
Shelfords	—	—	—	31/-
Sungai-purs Ka	—	—	—	72/-

Loans.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1886	2 1/2%	167,200	Tls. 250	7 1/2% p. annua

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SHIPPING IN PORT

STEAMERS.	AGENTS.
BURUN MARU, Japanese str., 1,304 T. Fusano, 12th Dec.—Swatow 11th Dec. General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	CHANGCHOW, British str., 1,203, Resa Lewis, 22nd November—Wuhu 17th November, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
CHENAN, British str., 1,300, Jones, 8th Dec.—Shanghai 4th December, General—Butterfield & Swire.	CHILMAN, Norwegian str., 1,102, H. Nilsson, 11th Dec.—Bangkok 1st and Hoihow 10th December, General—Kin Tye Lung.
CHOISING, German str., 1,021, J. Bruhr, 10th Dec.—Bangkok 27th November, Rice and Timber—Butterfield & Swire.	CHOSHUN MARU, Japanese str., 1,301, T. Suruga, 28th Nov.—Swatow 27th Nov. General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
CHOW FA, German str., 1,055, F. Schenetz, 10th Dec.—Hoihow 9th December, Rice and Wood—Butterfield & Swire.	DAITA MARU, Japanese str., 1,135, Kobayashi, 9th Dec.—Wakamatsu 4th Dec. Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
DAVALLOR, British str., 4,476, J. Dispenhansen, 11th Dec.—Yokohama 30th Nov. General—Butterfield & Swire.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN, British str., 3,039, H. Pybus, R.M.S., 9th Dec.—Vancouver 18th Nov. Mails and General—C. P. R. Co.
ESKADAL, British str., 1,946, G. W. Dust, 19th Nov.—Moji 12th Nov., Coal—Doddwell & Co.	FOOSHING, British str., 1,428, T. Liman, 11th Dec.—Wuhu and Chinkiang 7th Dec. Rice and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
FEL, Norwegian str., 860, C. Wingle, 10th Dec.—Haiphong 8th December, Rice—Aagaard Thorsen & Co.	GREGORY ARCAN, British str., 2,561, S. H. Nelson, 12th Dec.—Singapore 5th Dec. General—David Sassoon & Co.
HAIYANG, British str., 1,352, Hodgkins, 12th Dec.—Swatow 11th Dec. Tea and General—Douglas, Laing & Co.	HANOI, French str., 630, J. Pannier, 1st Dec.—Haiphong, Pakhoi, Hoihow and Quang Chow Wan 26th Nov., General—A. E. Marty.
HILARY, German str., 1,276, E. Hatje, 25th Nov.—Chiofo 19th November, General—Sander, Wieler & Co.	HONORER, British str., 2,056, J. Home, 11th Dec.—Swatow 4th Dec. General—Chilman.
HUTCHING, British str., 1,234, Edward Forsyth, 10th Dec.—Tientsin 3rd Dec. General—Butterfield & Swire.	IDONEUS, British str., 4,250, E. A. Thillot, 12th Dec.—Saigon 8th Dec. General—Butterfield & Swire.
ISHITA, Italian str., 2,481, G. Belaito, 11th Dec.—Bombay and Singapore 4th Dec. General—Cassidy & Co.	KANCHOW, British str., 1,254, Monkan, 10th Nov.—Chiofo 6th November, General—Butterfield & Swire.
KIANG CHING, Chinese str., 1,002, J. A. Bressander, 8th Dec.—Chiofo 3rd Dec. General—Tung Lee & Co.	KIRAGATA MARU, Japanese str., 1,470, B. Oguri, 12th Dec.—Moji 6th Dec. Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
KNIVBERG, German str., 646, Alb. Niejahr, 10th Dec.—Hoihow 9th December, Rice and General—Jensen & Co.	KWEIYANG, British str., 1,012, Dowson, 25th Nov.—Chiofo 20th, Wei-ha-wei 21st and Tientsin 22nd Nov. General—Butterfield & Swire.
KWONGSANG, British str., 1,421, Baker, 8th Dec.—Shanghai 4th and Swatow 7th Dec. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	LIANGCHOW, British str., 1,215, H. Hardey, 10th Dec.—Taku 4th Dec. General—Butterfield & Swire.
MANHUA MARU, Japanese str., 1,254, H. Nishi, 10th Dec.—Moji 4th December, General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.	MARIE, German str., 1,169, P. E. Christiansen, 7th Dec.—Hongay and Hoihow 5th Dec. Coal and General—Jensen & Co.
ONABATA, British str., 1,787, E. S. Wooley, 10th Dec.—Java 29th Nov. Sugar—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	PEELAK, Dutch str., 1,085, Swart, 6th Dec.—Singapore 29th November, Oil—Asiatic Petroleum Co.
PROTEUS, Norwegian str., 1,024, C. Moller, 10th Dec.—Bangkok and Swatow 9th Dec. Rice—Aagaard, Thorsen & Co.	SANSEN, Ger. str., 998, R. Petersen, 7th Dec.—Bangkok 26th Nov. and Swatow 6th Dec. Rice and Reekwood—Butterfield & Swire.
SHAKANO MARU, Japanese steamer, 2,064, K. Nagata, 10th Dec.—Kureto, Coal—Shewan, Tomes & Co.	

SHANGHAI, British str., 1,229, G. W. Body, 9th Dec.—Hoihow, Chinese Military.

SHANTUNG, British str., 1,356, Robinson, 6th Dec.—Samarang 26th November, Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.

SHIRAZO MARU, Japanese str., 2,478, S. Atsumi, 24th Nov.—Moji 18th November, Coal—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

SIBERIA, American str., 5,655, A. Zeeder, 6th Dec.—San Francisco 9th Nov., Mails and General—E. M. S.S. Co.

SIGNAL, German str., 907, G. Schlaikier, 10th Dec.—Hoihow 9th Dec. General—Jensen & Co.

SUIMANG, British str., 1,780, W. D. Welch, 8th Dec.—Chingwantao 1st December, Coal—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

TACOMA MARU, Japanese str., 6,178, H. Yamamoto, 9th Dec.—Shanghai 6th December, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

TAMINGO, British str., 1,350, G. H. Pennefather, 10th Dec.—Hoihow 7th December, General—Butterfield & Swire.

TELEMACUS, British str., 1,340, G. Edwards, 6th Dec.—Saigon 30th Nov. Rice and General—Chinese.

TUPANAS, Dutch str., 2,444, J. B. von Damme, 10th Dec.—Maassar 1st December, Sugar and General—Java-China-Japan Lijn.

TSURUGIMARU MARU, Japanese str., W. Nagata, 12th Dec. Miko 7th Dec. Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

TOON, Chinese str., 960, A. A. Crawford, 8th Dec.—Chiofo 4th Dec. Vermicelli—C. M. S. N. Co.

WINGSANG, British str., 1,517, J. M. Smith, 8th Dec.—Tientsin via Chiofo 23rd November, Salt—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

WOSANG, British str., 1,151, D. W. Ritchie, 10th Dec.—Tientsin 2nd Dec. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

YACHOW, British str., 1,506, H. A. Warrell, 8th Dec.—Yokohama 2nd Dec. General—Butterfield & Swire.

YUNNAN, British str., 1,206, Jones, 6th Dec.—Daly 30th November, Coal—Butterfield & Swire.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.
Nov. 20th—Larzio, Lyria, Mennon. 24th—Donarig, Atholl, Schuyldell. 27th—Surgan, Perseus, Oceanica, Tamba Maru. Dec. 1st—Brazilia, Albion, Glenora. 4th—Tranquhar, Vortacris, Anson, Somali. 5th—George, Sumatra, Theodos. 8th—Derfflinger, Benavrich, Carnarvonshire, Liberia, Priam. 11th—Indraconia, Princess Alice, Nera.

ARRIVALS AT HOME.
December 10th—Glanorganshire, Indrapura, Nicomedia, Tourane.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From December 14th to 20th, 1909.			
HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
Date.	Time.	Date.	Time.
Tue. 14	11 14	Tue. 14	4 48
Wed. 15	10 18	Wed. 15	5 52
Thurs. 16	9 18	Thurs. 16	6 58
Fri. 17	8 18	Fri. 17	7 58
Sat. 18	7 18	Sat. 18	8 58
Sun. 19	6 18	Sun. 19	9 58
Mon. 20	5 18	Mon. 20	10 58

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Hongkong Observatory, December 13th.			
Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Day at 10 a.m.	On Day at 4 p.m.	On Day at 8 p.m.
Barometer	30.03	30.20	30.20
Temperature	68	67	80
Humidity	68	45	81
Wind Direction	NNE	N	NNE
Force	1	3	5
Weather	—	—	—
Rain	—	—	—

Highest open air Temperature on 13th.....68

Lowest open air Temperature on 13th.....66

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